

Parents' National Educational Union.

13/Jan/1923

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4. One-third of the co-opted members of the Council shall retire in rotation each year, but shall be eligible for re-election. The representative members shall be selected each year by the Local Branches.

5. The Council shall elect yearly a President and from among its members an Hon. Treasurer.

6. The Council may elect Vice-Presidents, who shall retire each year but be eligible for re-election.

7. The Executive Committee shall be annually elected by the Council and shall be responsible for the management of the Society. All members of the Executive Committee shall be ex-officio members of the Council.

8. The Executive Committee shall consist of not more than 24 Members, who shall retire annually, but be eligible for re-election. Nominations of new Members for the Executive Committee must be sent in to the Secretary seven clear days before the date of such election, which shall be by ballot. The Executive Committee shall be empowered to fill up any vacancy that may occur in their number during the year.

LOCAL BRANCHES.

9. Local Branches of the Society may be formed in any district, and shall be free to organise themselves and make their own by-laws provided always that such by-laws be not contrary to the principles or rules of the Society.

10. The Secretaries of Local Branches shall prepare and send to the Secretary of the Society, before the 10th of each month a report of the work done during the previous month for the purpose of publication in the *Parents' Review*. They shall also send to the Secretary an adequate supply of any prospectuses or other papers printed by their Branches, as soon as such prospectuses or papers are issued, so that copies may be sent to each of the other Local Secretaries.

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MEETINGS.

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12. The Council shall hold an Annual Meeting in the month of , to fill up vacancies in their body, to pass the Report and Balance Sheet of the previous year, appoint the Auditor, to elect the Hon. Officers and the Executive, to decide on questions involving new departures in procedure, etc.

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25. Each Local Branch shall have the power to fix the amount of the annual subscriptions to be paid by its Members; when practicable, the subscription should be not less than five shillings per annum.

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28. There shall be such salaried officers as the Council may determine, all such officers shall be appointed and removed by the Executive Committee.

29. The Treasurer shall have the general superintendence of the receipts and expenditure of all moneys on account of the Society.

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This Draft of New Rules, &c., as passed by the Executive Committee, January 16th, 1895, will be submitted to a Special Meeting of the CENTRAL COUNCIL convened for the purpose by the accompanying Notice.

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TUESDAY, MAY 25th,

At LONDON HOUSE, ST. JAMES' SQUARE.

Chairman THE RIGHT HON. THE EARL OF MEATH.
10.30 a.m. Mrs. STEINTHAL on "The Value of Art Training and Manual Work."
Discussion.

11.30 a.m. Miss HELEN WEBB, M.B. (Lond.), "The Stress of Life." Discussion.

At DOWNSHIRE HOUSE, BELGRAVE SQUARE, W.

(By kind permission of MRS. W. WINANS)
Chairman Sir VINCENT KENNEDY BARRINGTON.
5.0 p.m. Miss MASON will lecture on "Ethical Teaching in the P.N.E.U." (Tea and Coffee, 4.30).

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26th,

At LONDON HOUSE, ST. JAMES' SQUARE.

Chairman A. T. SCHOFIELD, Esq., M.D.
10.30 a.m. Miss MASON, "P.N.E.U. Teaching in the Branches (Religious and Moral)." Discussion.
11.30 a.m. Agencies of the Union:—(a) "Natural History Club," (b) Mothers' Educational Course.—(a) Mrs. PERRIN (Central Club), Mrs. SMITHILLS, Miss BARNETT, Mrs. ROWNTREE, Miss HART DAVIS, Miss SIMPSON (Local Clubs); (b) Mrs. ANSON. Discussion.
5.0 p.m. Meeting (Council only) at the Office, 28, VICTORIA STREET, S.W. (to adopt Annual Report, elect Hon. Officers, etc.)

THURSDAY, MAY 27th,

At LONDON HOUSE, ST. JAMES' SQUARE.

Mrs. E. L. FRANKLIN in the chair.
10.30 a.m. Miss MASON, "P.N.E.U. Teaching in the Branches (Mental and Physical)." Discussion.
11.30 a.m. Mr. ROOPER, H.M.I., "The P.N.E.U. and the Poorer Classes." Discussion.

**At PORTMAN ROOMS, BAKER STREET, W.
(Dorset Street Entrance).**

Annual Conversazione (free to all members). Mrs. BOYD CARPENTER will speak on "Links in the Home Chain."
Chairman ALGERNON C. P. COOTE, Esq., M.A.

FRIDAY, MAY 28th,

At LONDON HOUSE, ST. JAMES' SQUARE.

Mrs. F. STEINTHAL in the chair.
10.30 a.m. Agencies of the Union:—(c) "House of Education"; (d) "Parents' Review School."—(c) Mrs. DALLAS YORKE (Lady Visitor), Mr. ROOPER, H.M.I., Miss LANPHIER (ex-student); (d) Mrs. FRANKLIN, Mrs. STEINTHAL.
11.30 a.m. Miss BLOGG, "Use and Work of the Central Office and Organisation of Branches." Discussion.
3.0 p.m. Secretaries' Meeting (to which Branch representatives and members of Committee are invited). Work of Branches, Arrangement of Programmes, etc.

Mrs. E. L. FRANKLIN in the chair.

At ST. JAMES' CHURCH, PICCADILLY, W.

(By kind permission of BISHOP BARRY.)
6.0 p.m. Short Service and Address by CANON SCOTT HOLLAND.

THE NATURAL HISTORY CLUB EXHIBITION of collections, specimens, drawings, etc., made by the children and friends of members, opens on Monday, May 24th, at 2.30, at 50, Porchester Terrace, Bayswater (near Queen's Road Station), and will then be on view daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., until Saturday, May 29th. Admission free to exhibitors and members of the Club, to others on presentation of the Conference ticket.

A LECTURE TO CHILDREN, illustrated by lantern slides, will be given on Saturday, May 29th, at 3 p.m., by Miss Simpson, of the Yorkshire College, Leeds, entitled, "The Life-History of a Butterfly."

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List of branches and addresses of Local Hon. Secs.

Chairman of Committee: Dr. A. T. Schofield. *Vice-Chairman:* Algernon C. P. Coote, Esq., M.A. *Hon. Org. Secs.:* Henry Perrin, Esq., Mrs. Steinthal, Mrs. Franklin. *Secretary:* Miss Frances Blogg. Pamphlets giving full particulars of the work of the Union, and the *Parents' Review* (6d. monthly), the organ of the Society, may be obtained from the Secretary, 28, Victoria Street, S.W., to whom all subscriptions and communications should be sent.

BELGRAVIA.—*Hon. Treas.:* Mrs. F. H. Anson. *Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Cockburn, 39, Elvaston Place.

HYDE PARK AND BAYSWATER.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. E. L. Franklin, 9, Pembridge Gardens, W.

HAMPSTEAD.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. C. Herbert-Smith, The Retreat, North End.

ST. JOHN'S WOOD.—*Hon. Sec.:* Miss Fothergill, 109, Abbey Road, N.W.

WOODFORD AND WANSTEAD.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Spedding Curwen, Bywell, High Road, Woodford.

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NORTH FINCHLEY.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Ramsay Wilson, Longcroft, Woodside Park.

READING.—*Hon. Sec.:* T. H. Penson, Esq., Ascham House.

BRIGHTON.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. William Borrer, Pakyns Manor, Hurst-pierpoint.

EASTBOURNE.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. G. F. Butt, Ingleside, Selwyn Road.

HASTINGS AND ST. LEONARD'S.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Edward Venables, S. Bernard's Lodge, London Road, S. Leonard's.

LEEDS.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Arthur Smithells, North Grange Road, Headingley, Leeds.

SOUTHPORT.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. James Dixon, 8, Preston Road.

SCARBOROUGH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. G. Rowntree, 14, Valley Bridge, Scarborough.

SHEFFIELD.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Newton Coombe, Brocco Bank.

FOLKESTONE.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Henry Baynes, 9, Christchurch Road. *Hon. Treasurer:* Mrs. J. Collins.

BEDFORD.—*Hon. Sec.:* W. Browne, Esq., 13, Lansdowne Road. *Hon. Treasurer:* A. E. Parsons, Esq.

BROUGHTY FERRY.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Don, The Lodge, Broughty Ferry, N.B.

EDINBURGH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Berry Hart, 29, Charlotte Square.

WIMBLEDON.—*Hon. Sec.:* Miss L. Shakespeare, Kingsley Gate, Berkeley Place.

WALLASEY.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Wright, The Springs, Wallasey.

BIRKENHEAD.—*Hon. Sec.:* Miss Irvine, 18, Devonshire Road

ILKLEY.—*Hon. Sec. (pro tem.):* Mrs. F. Steinthal, Wharfemead.

WEYBRIDGE.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Newbolt, Oakley Lodge.

DERBY.—*Hon. Sec.:* Rev. D. Macdonald, B.D., 12, Wilson Street.

RICHMOND.—*Hon. Sec.:* Miss Leeson-Marshall, 6, Chislehurst Road.

GLASGOW.—*Hon. Sec. (pro tem.):* Mrs. Jardine, 5, Clifton Place.

HIGHGATE.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Arthur Sharpe, 4, Broadlands Road.

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TUESDAY, MAY 10th. At PORTMAN ROOMS, BAKER STREET, W.
(Dorset Street Entrance).

Chairman - DR. SCHOFIELD.

- 10.30. MISS MASON,—“P.N.E.U. Psychology in relation to current thought” (A). Discussion.
- 11.30. MADEMOISELLE DURIAUX,—“The Principles Involved in Language Teaching.” Discussion.
- 12.15—1. MISS McMILLAN,—“Manual Training.” Discussion.
- 4 o p.m. Meeting (Council only) at **THE OFFICE**, 28, Victoria Street, S.W. (to adopt Annual Report, elect Hon. Officers, etc.)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11th. At PORTMAN ROOMS.

MRS. CORRIE GRANT in the Chair.

- 10.30. MRS. STEINTHAL.—“The Utilitarian Training of Our Daughters.” Discussion.
- 11.15. MRS. SPENCER CURWIN.—“Music Teaching.” Discussion.
- 11.45. MISS MASON,—“P.N.E.U. Psychology in relation to current thought” (B). Discussion.
- 12.30—1. MRS. FRANKLIN,—“Result of the Year’s Work in the P.N.E.U., and the Future Outlook.” Discussion.
- 8 o p.m. At **PORTMAN ROOMS**.
- 8.30 punctually. Annual Conversazione (free to all members). The Hon. and Rev. Canon E. LYTTELTON (Head Master of Haileybury College), on “The Relation between Physical and Moral Training”—Other speakers.
Chairman - Sir GEORGE KEKEWICH, K.C.B.

THURSDAY, MAY 12th. At PORTMAN ROOMS.

Chairman - REV. F. S. COLMAN.

- 10.30. H. B. GARRUD, Esq.,—“Co-education of the Sexes. How far is it desirable or practicable?” Discussion.
- 11.15. Nature-work in the P.N.E.U. H. GELDART, Esq.,—“Nature-work at the House of Education.” Miss SIMPSON (Leeds), and Branch Speakers.
- 12—1. Local Secretaries Meeting (to which Branch representatives and members of Committees are invited).
- 5.0 p.m. At **15, Belgrave Square, W.** (by kind permission of Her Grace the Duchess of Bedford). MISS MASON,—“The direction of the Will, and regulation of the Desires.” REV. CANON BARNETT in the chair. Tea and coffee, 4.30.

FRIDAY, MAY 13th. At PORTMAN ROOMS.

MISS HELEN WEBB, M.B. (Lond.) in the Chair.

- 10.30 T. G. ROOPER, Esq., H.M.I.,—“The Tree of Knowledge and the Tree of Life.” Discussion.
- 11.30. MISS BLOGG,—“The Organization and Work of the Union.” “Discussion as to the best means of organizing and maintaining the vitality of Branches.” “Various difficulties of the work,” &c.
- 12.0—1. At St. Margaret’s, Westminster (by kind permission)—Short Service and Address by REV. CANON EYTON.